

Merry Christmas

This is the last issue of the Northwest Missourian for the fall semester. The next issue will be printed January 23, 1976. The staff of the Northwest Missourian wishes everyone a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

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Tropical paradise?

Don't kid yourself. This student is in his own world of study preparing for the semi-annual confrontation with finals no matter what angle a photographer chooses to record. These moments of frantic concentration were captured in the third floor lounge of the Student Union.

Gym set but no concerts

A quick glance at the ceiling in Lamkin Gymnasium might lead one to believe that the punching bags are stored there.

However, the 1,750 cylinders are a part of the recently completed acoustical system that was installed to improve the acoustics for events such as graduation and athletic contests such as basketball games and indoor tennis matches.

The new system, which cost \$32,240, will also allow rock concerts to be held again in the gymnasium. Concerts were banned from Lamkin in the fall of 1974, when structural damage became apparent. Loud noise and high frequency vibrations

created by rock music were blamed for the damage.

The ceiling cylinders are designed to reduce the reverberation in the dome roof area. In addition, the south wall area above the bleachers has been covered with concrete asbestos board to eliminate bounce back from a speaker at the north end of the gymnasium.

No concerts have been scheduled at Lamkin for the spring semester according to Marvin Silliman, director of the Student Union. Silliman stated that he was reluctant to schedule anything until the work was completed.

Regents advised by attorney on judicial system rights

The Board of Regents has accepted the suggestions of the University attorney concerning the clarification of the rights of the Board in the University judicial system.

The clarification implies that the Board of Regents will reserve the right to review or rehear decisions of any conduct committee. This right has been observed in the past, but the revision allows that it be added in writing to the University Judicial System in the student handbook.

The action is based on a recommendation of Duke W. Ponick, Jr., a University lawyer.

Dean Phil Hayes, advisor of the University judicial system, said the decision to clarify this right of the board is in response to a case occurring on campus three years ago. The defendant questioned the right of the Board of Regents to review his case, and attempted to file a lawsuit against the University.

Pending publication of a new student handbook, the revision of the University judicial system will be printed separately and distributed on campus.

MIAA intact; Thate charges 'window dressing'

by Darryl Wilkinson

The Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association has adopted a seven point "Economy Package" to compensate against both inflationary costs of athletic programming and the anticipated strain of Title IX regulations.

The package concept was unanimously approved at the league's meeting Saturday while a proposal to cut athletic grants from 57 to 40 was rejected by a vote of 8-6. Missouri Rolla, Central Missouri State and MSU endorsed the reduction. Each school had two votes.

The league members approved the following regulations to be implemented immediately:

- freshman and junior varsity programs are eliminated as well as spring football
- scheduling restrictions are set at 10 football games, 26 basketball games, 15 baseball games, 14 swimming, 11 wrestling, golf, and tennis, eight cross country and outdoor track, and five

indoor track contests

- minimum sport requirement for conference membership was reduced from nine to eight sporting events.

- athletic directors are to examine scheduling to maximize transportation
- conference schools are to provide dormitory housing and food services for visiting conference competitors at a reduced rate

- only one sport may be chosen to schedule the maximum number of scheduling dates

- only conference champions, team or individual, may participate in post-season playoff activity

The league voted to permit 60 players to dress for home football games instead of 48. Football travel squads will remain at 45 players. The MIAA also voted to extend an invitation to Missouri Southern and Missouri Western to join the league.

Dr. Charles Thate, provost, called the economy package an attempt at "window dressing," explaining that the vital factors

of athletic scholarships and the employment of expanding coaching staffs were sidestepped at the meeting.

"The conference did not come to grips with the issues Northwest Missouri State is facing," Thate stated. Contrary to earlier speculation when Southwest and Southeast were to break from the MIAA, Thate indicated that "we may have to consider breaking from the conference."

In a position paper designed to place MSU in compliance with Title IX regulations, Thate expounds that "from a practical point of view the problem is fundamentally economic."

MSU currently expends in excess of \$325,000 to conduct men's and women's athletics. Equality of opportunity for men and women in intercollegiate athletics as defined by Title IX will result in increasing these expenditures to over \$555,000 if we continue to finance the men's program at its present level. . .

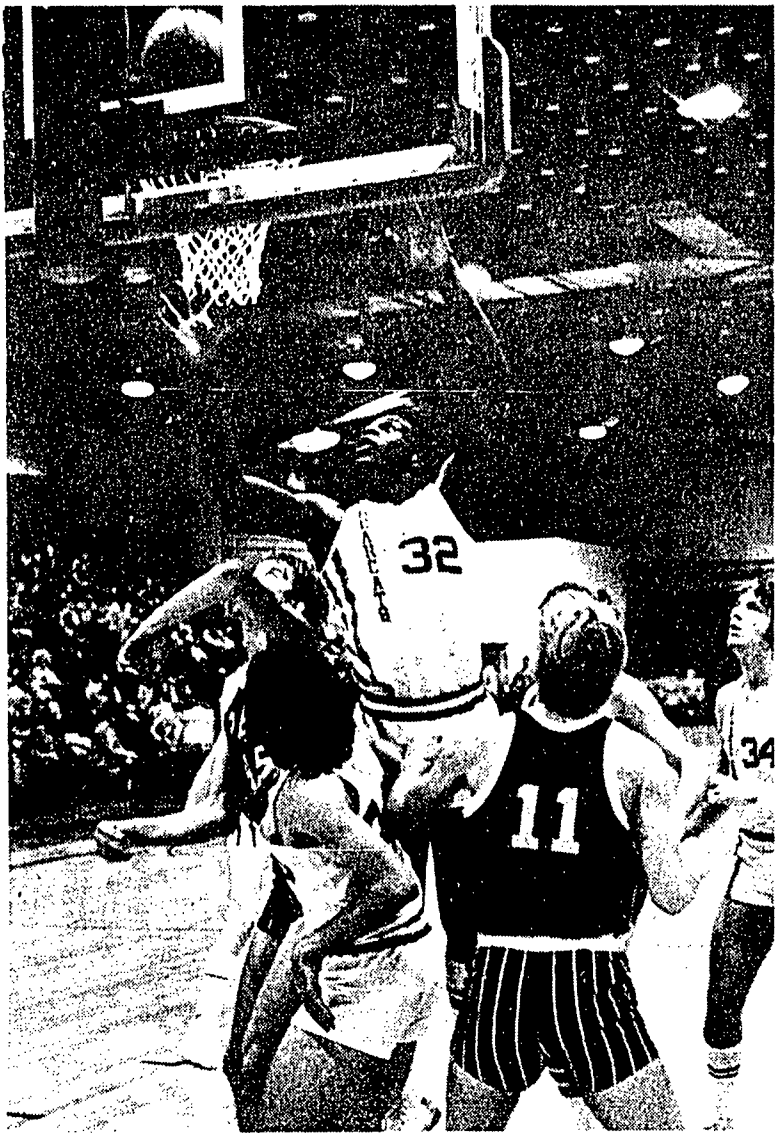
"To allow ourselves to be placed in a situation where we must increase student

fees measurably or reduce funds for other desirable educational programs in order to continue to compete successfully with our traditional athletic competitors seems to be a price too high to pay," Thate said.

The original HEW guidelines in Title IX said specifically that schools could not discriminate on sex "in the selection of sports or levels of competition, provision of equipment or supplies, scheduling of games and practice times, travel and per diem allowance, award of athletic scholarships, opportunity to receive coaching and instruction, assignment of coaches and instructors, provisions of locker room, practice or competitive facilities, provision of medical and training facilities, and services" and publicity.

MSU's interpretation of Title IX is a dollar-for-dollar provision for men's and women's athletic programming. The St. Louis Post Dispatch quoted Dr. John Schneider, athletic director for Southeast, stating "I went to a meeting of athletic

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Rebound!

Jim Pinkins (number 32) adds another carom to his rebound list.

'Cat cagers whip Penn to end losing streak

MSU's 58-51 victory over William Penn Saturday accomplished the major objective: it ended a two season losing streak at ten games.

The point total by the 'Cats was their lowest in a winning effort since 1971's 61-60 overtime game vs. Tarkio. Penn's 52 tallies was the least productive output by an MSU opponent since Metropolitan State put only 48 on the board in December, 1971.

Through the first half, it looked like neither team might reach even those final totals. The Statesmen gave the ball up on mistakes 17 times and the Bearcats turned it over 15 times through the first 20 minutes. MSU managed a 30-25 intermission edge while being outgunned from the field but taking an eight-to-one edge at the line.

William Penn gave the ball away a dozen more times in the second half to the 'Cats five turnovers. In spite of that, with five minutes left, the Statesmen led, 47-43.

'Cats outshoot Penn

What MSU did in the final five minutes turned the trick. The 'Cats outpointed Penn 15-5 during that span with leading score David Alvey netting six of his 16. Guards Al Bubalo and Dave Batten turned in some take charge moments, too. Bubalo got the last three points at the line and popped in an 18-foot jumper that put MSU ahead to stay, 51-50. Batten put a three point pad, 53-50, between the 'Cats and Penn with a layup off a turnover.

Forward Doug Deskin, who finished with ten tallies, and forward Jim Pinkins, who grabbed off 15 rebounds, led the Bearcat surge.

It was without Pinkins on the court (sitting out with four personals) that William Jewell made its

move. With veteran Danny O'Dell turning turnovers into scoring opportunities and with newcomer Ronnie Hodges seemingly tipping in anything O'Dell missed, the Cardinals flew back from a 37-31 halftime deficit that was widened to 10 points in the second half's first three minutes.

Last Monday's heartbreaking 82-81 defeat against William Jewell was another story, however.

Simply stated, Coach Bob Iglehart's Bearcats put on one of their most spirited, gutty performances in recent seasons and just fell short against the homestanding Cardinals.

Alvey Stars

The loss did produce one of the Bearcats' outstanding individual offense performances ever. Alvey bounced back sensationally against the Cards. He dropped in 42 points (23 in the second half) and also pulled down 13 rebounds and had four assists.

MSU outpointed the Cards 10-4 inside the final 1:30. MSU freshman forward Ted Espey banked in a layup with one second remaining and William Jewell avoided a foul that could have made a good 'Cat comeback into a great one.

The MSU roundballers will battle the University of Missouri-Kansas City Kangaroos Saturday in the Kansas Citian's gym.

After the holiday rest, the 'Cats will take part in the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association's tournament at Springfield on Jan. 1-3.

Games before next semester's first publication are against Rolla here Jan. 10; Southeast Missouri State here Jan. 12;

'Kittens host attractive slate

The Bearkitten basketball team, which stands at 3-2 for the season will host an attractive five game slate during the holiday break which will feature three Big Eight schools and the MSU Holiday Tournament.

The 'Kittens will kick off their home-game stand Friday against William Penn College at 7:30 p.m. The team will also play host to Northeast Missouri State Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and to Iowa State Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m.

William Penn was one of the six squads that was able to whip the 'Kittens 21-7 team of last year. The Stateswomen dumped the Bearkittens 66-56.

Northeast Missouri State fell to MSU last year by scores of 79-40 and 80-50. Coach Debbie Jones said that the Bulldogettes weren't one of the traditionally stronger clubs but added that she hadn't had a chance to see them in action.

The 'Kitten roundballers have met the Iowa State Cyclones only once in their short five-year modern history. The 1973-74 outcome was a close 55-53 MSU victory. Jones expects the Cyclones to be fundamentally sound and to present a balanced attack highlighted by the team's standout Pat Hudson.

The MSU females will then take a vacation after this weekend's contests and will resume action January 7-8 in

first MSU Holiday Tournament. The first-round action will pit MSU against the University of Nebraska and Southwest Missouri State against The Kansas Jayhawks.

Coach Jones viewed the tournament outcome as unpredictable. She said the Jayhawks have a very quick team and are much improved since their 66-55 loss to MSU in Springfield's Turkey Tournament. The coach also added that Southwest Missouri State would be a very dangerous foe because the squad just got two players from the school's

volleyball squad that qualified for the national championships.

MSU will end its home-game stand against Missouri-St. Louis on Monday, January 12. The game will be the first meeting ever for the two squads.

The 'Kittens will hit the road for three games on January 16, 17, and 18 against the University of Missouri, Meramec Community College and St. Louis University, respectively.

The 'Kitten roundballers fell in their last outing against Tarkio last Wednesday on the Owl's court 71-61.

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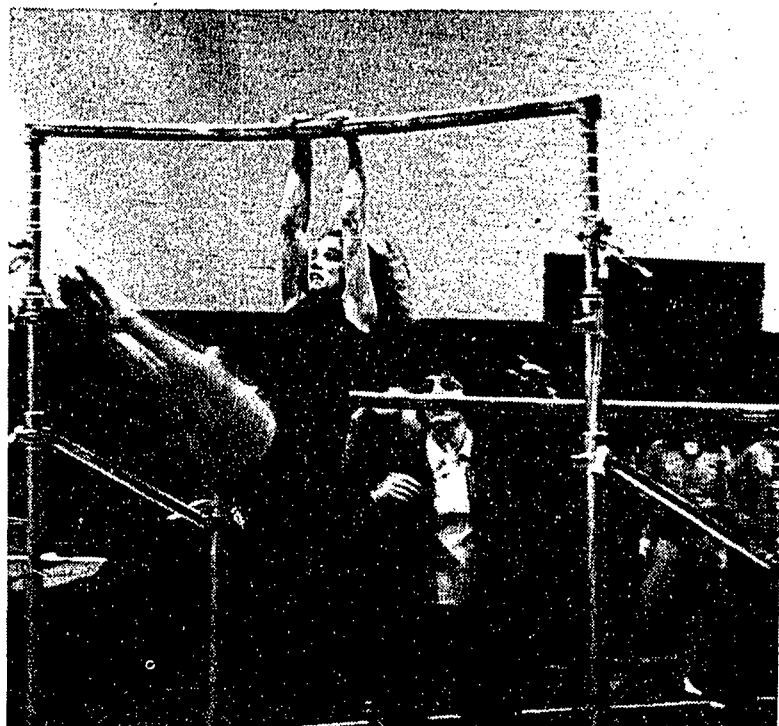
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Coach Sandra Mull instructs gymnastics athlete, Joy Wilmes. Wilmes is preparing for uneven parallel bar competition.

Practice!

Gymnasts begin season

MSU's gymnastics team began their season at the Iowa State Invitational. No team scores were kept.

Coach Sandra Mull entered three women individually in the meet's floor routine portion, involving tumbling and stunts set to music. The 20-contestant field used their own routines.

Senior Jo Ethel Wright was the day's top performer for MSU, finishing with a 5.46 score, good for ninth place.

"For the first meet of the year, Jo's tumbling was extremely good. She showed great improvement over last year in her form and presentation," stated Mull.

Junior Janie Runnels and junior Sheri Brown received scores of 4.16 and 3.56, respectively. Iowa State's Margie Huddleson earned the day's number one spot, getting an 8.15 total from the judges.

"Overall, we were a little disappointed with the results. I know the girls think they can do a better job and we'll keep working to improve," Mull said.

The next meet will find the MSU squad hosting its invitational January 30 with contestants being able to compete in either optional or compulsory categories in floor routines, uneven parallel bars, balance beam and vaulting.

Wrestlers take runnerup spot in Graceland tourney

The MSU wrestling team nabbed second place in an eight-team invitational tournament for the second time in two weeks as the Bearcats scored 103 1/4 points to finish 30 1/4 points behind Peru State at Saturday's Graceland Tournament at Lamoni, Iowa.

Two Saturdays ago, the Bearcats placed second to South Dakota, and finished five places ahead of Peru, in the MSU Invitational.

Following the Bobcats and Bearcats were the host Yellow Jackets, with 90 1/4, and three Iowa Conference representatives—Central 40 1/4, Simpson 25 3/4, and William Penn 18 1/2. William Jewell finished seventh with two points, and Iowa Wesleyan was pointless.

Nine Peru wrestlers qualified for the finals, and four captured individual titles, while the Bearcats had six finalists and won three championships.

'Cat winners were senior Russ Hutchinson (126) who decisoned Central's Braner 3-1. The tour-

namment wins pushed Hutchinson's season record to 9-3.

Sophomore Glen Zenor won the 167-pound title with a 4-2 win over Peru's Ted Japp. The three wins leave Zenor with a 9-3 mark.

Junior Brian Reimers, rapidly becoming one of Coach George Worley's top performers, captured his second championship of the young season by pinning Peru's Terry Kelly. Reimers, who won the 177-pound MSU invitational title, upped his record to 8-1-1.

Bearcats who were "red ribbon winners" at Graceland were sophomore Gary Sambursky (118), sophomore Bob Klein (142) and senior Jerry Middleton (190). The MSU matmen will meet the University of Nebraska-Omaha in a dual here tomorrow at 6 p.m.

The next bouts for MSU after the holiday break will be a triangular against Northeast Missouri State and Southeast Missouri State at Kirksville Jan. 17.

Intramural Basketball Scores Fraternity League

Cowens Division
AKL 48, Sig Tau "E" 11
Sig Tau "B" 38, Phi Sig "C" 30
TKE "E" 38, Delta Sig "B" 30
TKE 53, Delta Chi "C" 23
Havlicek Division
Phi Sigs 72, Phi Sig "E" 24
Sig Tau "C" 27, TKE "D" 22
TKE "B" 72, Delta Chi "E" 20
AKL "C" 34, Del

McAdoo Division
Sig Tau 91, Delta Chi "D" 16
Phi Sig "B" 65, Sig Tau "D" 21

Independent League

Phillips-Dieferich Division
Phillips Hall Staff 45, 322 29
Sequoias 48, Phillips Six Packers 37
2nd Phillips forfeit over Vet's Club
Panthers "B" 44, Faculty 37
Stars 58, Coors LTD 41
North Complex Division
1st Cooper 22, 4th Tower "A" 19
3rd Douglas 30, 4th Tower "B" 25
1st Douglas 43, 2nd Cook 39
3rd Cooper 61, 4th Cooper 24
2nd Tower forfeit over 2nd Douglas
Independent Division
Big Mac 64, Derelects 34
Panthers 74, Who's Next 29

Taus ranked number one

Sig Tau Gamma by murdering the Delta Chi "D" team Rednecks 91-16 was given the number one ranking among the Missourian's first intramural basketball poll.

The top ten teams were picked from a record number of fifty-eight intramural teams who play the game for the fun of it.

The Missourian sports staff along with recommendations from intramural officials selected the teams. The Missourian will rate the campus' ten best basketball teams each week.

Missourian Top 10 Intramural Basketball Teams

1. Sig Tau Gamma 1-0
2. Panthers 1-0
3. Tau Kappa Epsilon 1-0
4. Phi Sigma Epsilon 1-0
5. Phillips Hall Staff 1-0
6. Phi Sigma Epsilon "B" 1-0
7. 3rd floor Cooper 1-0
8. Tau Kappa Epsilon "B" 1-0
9. Sequoias 1-0
10. Alpha Kappa Lamboda 1-0

Those receiving votes: Big Mac, Stars, M.A.I.N., Panthers "B", 1st Douglas, 1st Cooper, Sig Tau Gamma "B", Tau Kappa Epsilon "B", Phi Sigma Epsilon "C".

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MSU swimmers take fifth in tourney

MSU's swim team finished fifth among twelve squads in the Florissant Valley Community College Invitational at St. Louis Saturday in a meet where records fell in each of the men's events.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Junior College, third place finisher in last year's National Junior College Athletic Association's championships, easily won with 166 points while Central Missouri State finished second with 118.

The MSU tankers placed in every event except the men's one-meter diving, 600-yard

freestyle and the 300 yard freestyle. All events were relays.

The team of Randy Hamstra, Tim Spencer and Rick Spencer won the squad's only first of the day by taking the 300 yard breaststroke in 3:22.5.

"We saw some tough competition and performed well individually," said Coach Dyche.

Today the Bearcat tankers will meet Central Missouri State for a dual in the Mule's pool.

The 'Cats will take a break after tomorrow's dual and will resume action Jan. 24 with participation in the Grinnell Relays at Grinnell, Iowa. Last season, MSU finished ninth out of eleven teams.

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MSU is one of the few institutions in the country to offer its undergraduate students a concentrated program in the techniques of working with pewter.

Lee Hageman is director of metalsmithing programs in the art department and assistant professor of art at MSU.

Hageman began his career in the jewelry trade working with gold, silver and platinum before he started teaching eight years ago. "I realized then," said Hageman, "that silver, which was the usual student learning material, would soon price itself out of practicality for the average student."

"I began a search for a substitute metal. I became convinced of the potential national common market today for pewter . . . It has a high sales potential equitable to ceramics."

Favorable qualities of pewter include economic feasibility

and inexpensive equipment such as a hot plate, steel wool, files, saw, sandpaper and perhaps a minimal heat torch.

At present there is very little creative pewter work in the United States. Only 13 small American cooperations exist which do pewter art. Their products are all replicas of famous colonial works.

In early America, few colonists could afford silver so pewter was adopted to fit the needs and budgets of many households. The amount of pewterware in a house became a status symbol similar to our modern day silver servings. Famous colonial pewter smiths include Paul Revere and Benjamin Franklin.

The major factor in the decline of pewterware was the fact that it contained lead. It was discovered that this ingredient could result in poisoning and even death.

Britannia Metal, or contemporary pewter, has overcome this drawback even though the remembrance that pewter may cause lead poisoning still exists. The modern formula for pewter is 90 percent tin, eight percent antimony and two percent copper.

Pewter often resembles stainless steel with its shiny bright surface. "We are experimenting here (at MSU) with different types of texture finishes," Hageman explained. "We found oxidized pewter with its shadowed pre-textured surface to be very practical. It can be cleaned with soap and water and rubbed with steel wool to remove scratches."

Pewter can be useful as cream and sugar serving sets, bottle, vases, bowls and as sculpture decorator accents. Many of these articles can be found in gift shops, although they are often imported from Scandinavia, Italy and Spain.

Math lab available for tutoring service

Dr. Morton Kenner, math department chairman, reminds students that a math laboratory is available for help when they are having homework difficulties.

Program learning materials on most elementary math concepts are located in the lab at Garrett-Strong many of which are from books donated by faculty members.

Other individualized study aids include a film loop machine, a tape recorder which explains concepts on corresponding paper and a computer for practicing techniques learned in class.

"We've tried to use a lot of departmental funds to work for the students," explained Kenner as a reason for the four-year project.

In addition to private study opportunities, math science majors are available during the week to tutor students needing help in the basic study courses.

Located in the bottom floor of Garrett-Strong, the tutors donate a total of 45 hours a week, serving as lab assistants.

One tutor, Shelly Huston, has compiled a file catalog of all the books in Wells Library that relate to math science.

Marty Pope is responsible for designing bulletin boards on the floor, and posts job notices on a board in the lab. A seminar room across from the lab maintains brochures on available graduate programs which Pope keeps updated.

Work-study students are also available for a total of 35 hours as tutors in the administration building. "That's part of the department's program—making facilities available for students who need it," Kenner said.

Students working in the math lab and in the administration building are: Paula Boswell, Nancy Hayes, Shelly Huston, Cerry Klein, Nancy Mitchell, Mike Rosenthal, Carol Rusk, Nick Taylor, Jess Raush, Jim Stocker and Deloris Uehling.

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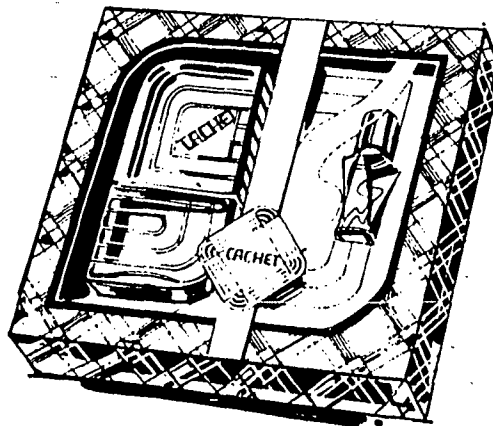
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Delta Chi fraternity is taking 15 needy children from Maryville to local merchants Saturday for their Christmas service project. The youths will buy gifts for relatives and friends with money donated by the fraternity.

Wells Library will observe the following hours during the Christmas and semester breaks: Dec. 19—8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Dec. 20 to 28—closed; Dec. 29 to 31—8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Jan. 1—closed; Jan. 2 to 13—8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except on weekends; Jan. 14—resume regular schedule.

The Panhellenic Council sponsored a food drive last Wednesday evening for two needy families, which were chosen by the Office of Equal Opportunity.

This was the first time in several years that the council had held such a drive.

Harambee House is offering a meeting place to groups and organizations.

Harambee can accommodate small groups and organizations. For more information call 582-8732 or come to Harambee House in the quad. Harambee's hours are: Monday through Wednesday, 1-10; Thursday, 1-9; Friday, 1-4; and Sunday, 6-10.

North Complex and Hudson Hall are sponsoring an all-campus semi-formal Christmas dance featuring "Arsenal" at 9 to 12 p.m. on Dec. 13 in the Den. Tickets are \$1.50 in advance and \$1.75 at the door.

Payroll checks for student employees will be issued today and on Dec. 19, according to John L. Drummond, Jr., director of accounting and payroll.

Those who wish to change their meal plans or start on a meal plan please come to the Food Service Office to have their pictures taken between the hours of 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, Dec. 4-19. There will be an \$8.50 charge for changing plans.

Wells library will observe the following schedule during finals week: Dec. 9—regular hours; Dec. 10—8 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Dec. 11 to 13—regular hours; Dec. 14—2 p.m. to 11 p.m.; Dec. 15 to 17—8 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Dec. 18—resume regular hours.

Veterans should report any changes in their address or benefits status to Wilson Hall, Office No. 1 MSU, to help insure that the veteran's monthly benefit checks are not interrupted and arrive in the proper amount.

The MSU department of agriculture now has a start towards the formation of a registered Angus herd.

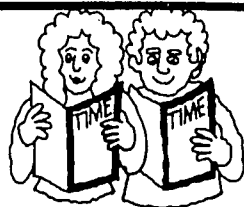
Included in the herd are three animals purchased in August and seven heads given as donations to the University. With a nucleus of 10 females it is hoped there will soon be a herd of 30 to 35 mature animals.

All National Direct Student Loan borrowers who are not returning to campus the Spring semester must see the National Direct Student Loan office, Administration Building, before Dec. 10.

Wilson sells ag article

Kay Wilson, Northwest Missourian staff member, will have an article about the Pinpointer 4000 published in a commercial cattlemen's magazine.

The monthly magazine, Beef, informed Wilson that her article dealing with a computerized way of measuring feed conversion of cattle will be published in a future issue. Feed conversion is the number of pounds of feed it takes to put on one pound of meat.



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Final Examination Schedule

Classes meeting for the first time in the week:

Date and hour of final examination:

STUDY DAY	Friday, December 12
9 Monday	Saturday, Dec. 13 7:30 a.m.
9 Tuesday	10 a.m.
3 Tuesday	1 p.m.
Physical Education 250	3:30 p.m.
Biology	7 p.m.

10 Monday	Monday, Dec. 15 7:30 a.m.
10 Tuesday	10 a.m.
2 Monday	1 p.m.
12 Monday	3:30 p.m.

Speech	7 p.m.
Political Science	Tuesday, Dec. 16 8 a.m.
History 151	10:30 a.m.
Chemistry 113	1 p.m.
11 Monday	Wednesday, Dec. 17 7:30 a.m.
11 Tuesday	10 a.m.
2 Tuesday	1 p.m.
Math 105, 108, 120 & Comp. Sci. 150	3:30 p.m.
8 Monday	Thursday, Dec. 18 7:30 a.m.
8 Tuesday	10 a.m.
4 Monday	1 p.m.
3 Monday	3:30 p.m.

1 Monday	Friday, Dec. 19 7:30 a.m.
1 Tuesday	10 a.m.
12 Tuesday	12 p.m.
4 Tuesday	2 p.m.

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Physical Education 250	Dec. 13 3:30 p.m.
Biology 102	Dec. 13 7 p.m.
Political Science 102	Dec. 16 8 a.m.
History 151	Dec. 16 10:30 a.m.
Chemistry 113	Dec. 16 1 p.m.
Math 105, 108, 120 & Comp. Sci. 150	Dec. 17 3:30 p.m.
Speech 101-102	Dec. 17 7 p.m.

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directors last spring and a man from HEW gave his interpretation. He said it is a proportionate thing. There is no provision for matching dollar for dollar."

Two years after the bill's passage, the Texas Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (TAIAW) stated its stand: "Although the regulations do not specify 'equal expenditure of funds', this has been the interpretation made by many individuals. We do not hold to such an interpretation. We believe it is entirely irrational, impractical and impossible. To 'equalize' by radical curtailment of men's athletics can only result in mediocrity for both programs, if not the demise of both."

Still other interpretations exist. According to the latest Title IX report in the NCAA News, the HEW's Office for Civil Rights "have failed in their job to clarify the Title IX regulations." The article's legal source was HEW's Washington counselor Ritchie T. Thomas of the firm of Cox, Langford and Brown.

MSU's immediate athletic future lies largely in the hands of President Robert P. Foster who is expected to recommend a course of action to the Board of Regents at their next meeting, Jan. 29, 1976. Thate indicated that input from the athletic departments will be obtained before a final decision is made.

MIAA...

	Approximate 1975-76	Projected 1978-79
Men's Athletics		
Total Operations	\$86,100	\$94,710
Grants in Aid	\$73,530	\$80,883
Coaching salaries	\$60,000 (5 FTE)	\$67,500 (5 FTE)
Total Men's Athletics	\$219,630	\$243,093
Women's Athletics		
Total Operations	\$23,400	\$60,200
Grants in Aid	\$9,900	\$80,883
Coaches salaries	\$24,000 (2 FTE)	\$67,500 (5 FTE)
Total Women's Athletics	\$78,550	\$208,583
Miscellaneous (Men and Women)		
Medical Expenses	\$25,000	\$35,000
Insurance	\$2,000	\$2,200
Laundry	2,000	3,200
Memberships	1,900	2,000
Travel	350	1,000
Training Room	7,000	10,000
Student Labor	3,800	4,180
Administrative Travel	1,000	1,100
Security	1,000	1,100
Banquets	1,000	1,100
National Competition (Estimate)	5,000	\$5,500
Cheerleaders & Pom-Pom	2,200	2,240
Graduate Assistant	6,300	10,000
Maintenance (Estimate)	20,000	32,000
	\$78,550	\$110,800
Grand Total	\$355,480	\$562,476

Law safeguards information

People are often asked to give information to the Social Security Administration and other federal agencies under the Federal privacy law that became effective in September.

The law's purpose is to safeguard information kept in government records about individuals and to inform people of their rights when they are asked to give information.

"Under the Privacy Act, people asked for information must be told the statutory authority for the request, whether giving the information

is voluntary or mandatory, why the information is needed, how it will be used and the effects of not providing it," according to John Perkins, social security field representative in Maryville.

A fact sheet explaining the law generally is given to people before starting an interview in social security offices, he said.

People under 72 can work and still get social security benefits starting January.

"In 1976 people can earn as much as \$2,760 and get full social security retirement or

survivors benefit," Perkins said. For earning over \$2,760 in 1976 benefits will be reduced by \$1 for every \$2 earned.

Procedures outlined

ALL PRE-ENROLLED STUDENTS

Jan. 12, 1976, Monday

7:00 Cafeteria opens

8:00 All residence halls open

(individuals must consult their area coordinator about earlier arrivals)

10:00-4:30 Textbooks may be picked up in Wells Library

Jan. 13, 1976, Tuesday

8:30-4:30 Textbooks may be obtained in Wells Library

Jan. 14, 1976, Wednesday

Classes begin

Jan. 15, 1976, Thursday-January 20, 1976, Tuesday

9:30-6:30 Fees may be paid in the Business Office

NON PRE-ENROLLED STUDENTS

Jan. 13, 1976, Tuesday

General Registration

Report to the east door of the Administration Building by the following sequence:

8:30 — A-C

9:30 — D-F

10:30 — G-I

11:30 — J-L

12:30 — M-O

1:30 — P-S

2:30 — T-Z

6:30 — 8:30 p.m. no sequence

ALL FEES MUST BE PAID AT THIS TIME.

Identification cards will be made in the J. W. Jones Union for new students.

Textbook Room will be closed until January 14, 1976

Jan. 14, 1976, Wednesday

10:00-4:30 Textbooks may be obtained in the Textbook Room by people enrolling during general registration

Classes begin

Late registration begins

ALL STUDENTS

Jan. 15, 1976, Thursday

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Dr. Robert Bohlken

Bohlken sees more practical usage of non-verbal communication in class

by Joy Wade

When someone crosses their arms, taps their feet and looks blankly at a wall, do they give the impression that they are tuning someone out?

Non-verbal communication is a recent study which has magnified in practical usage, as Dr. Robert Bohlken has proven with his research on teaching effectiveness.

"I take the principles of communication and apply them to a teaching situation," Bohlken said. This begins by realizing that communication is a two-way process, and the basis of this is trust.

"What I was trying to prove was, if you trusted me, would you learn more?" Bohlken asked. "You probably would." Trust is developed with teachers in several ways, as having confidence in their knowledge and being able to

associate with them well personally.

Character, however, is one aspect of an instructor which affects his ability to communicate non-verbally with students — and one that can only be evaluated by observation.

Non-verbal aspects of character combine to reveal the instructor's enthusiasm, and in turn reflect on the interest shown by the student.

These aspects include the movements of the teacher — the amount of action they exhibit, the distance kept from the students and the level at which they stand or sit in relation to the students.

An example of non-verbal action which would lessen the authority of an instructor would be for him to sit behind a desk during class. The desk serves as a barrier to communication, and the instructor appears less authoritative than he would be if he were standing, looking down on the students.

Placing responsibility for an attentive class on the instructor is an accepted fact for Bohlken, who says "I judge the teacher by watching the students." If a class appears bored and unresponsive, the instructor may need to improve his non-verbal skill, even though "most people don't even think about it."

Bohlken admits there is no tried-and-true way to do this, because "the problem is, there's no right way for anyone. When you really fall down, though, is when you don't try

anything or get involved with the students."

Bohlken has conducted high school workshops to create awareness for the need of non-verbal skills, and has assisted various industries in creating an atmosphere of believability for the public.

"The most important aspect" of non-verbal communication, according to Bohlken, "is being aware of this need, what it means, and relate it to others. There's so much to be aware of — so much to think about."

Students named to committee

Two student senators have been named to the Faculty Senate committees, according to Student Senator Paul Strain, chairman of the Senate's Academic Affairs committee.

Senator Tom Akin is a member of the Admissions, Advanced Standing and Graduation committee of

Faculty Senate. Senator Strain is a member of the Faculty Senate's Curriculum-Degree Requirements and committee.

Senator Strain said that he and members of the Senate who have attended faculty senate meetings have received nothing but cooperation in their encounters.

Broadcast on elderly to be heard nationwide

"The Senior Citizens Radio Forum," will broadcast at 10 a.m. Sat., Dec. 13 on KXCX-FM (90.5).

The program is a live national phone-in which will allow senior citizens to express their view on life in America for the last 75 years.

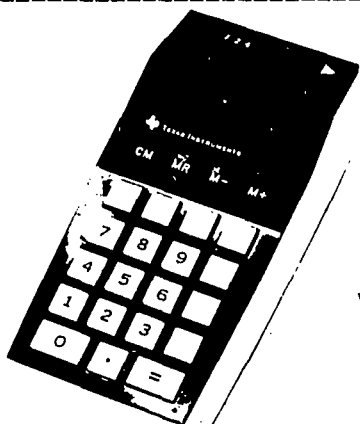
The radio discussion will take the form of a convention meeting, complete with hosts, panelists and audience.

The panel is to consist of individuals in various parts of

the country to be selected by the National Council of Senior Citizens and the National center on the Aged.

Panelists will be connected to National Public Radio Studios by telephone and along with the two co-hosts, will contribute to The discussion and guide its direction.

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Novel falls short of readers' expectations

By Larry Anderson

When I see the word "brilliant" on the inside cover of a best seller I become instantly suspicious. In literature the word "brilliant" is often elusive but when it is discovered in an obvious place, like an inside cover, it puts the reader on a spot. Before beginning the novel you know there must be something there and after finishing it you wonder what it was and how you could have missed it.

Judith Rossner's *Looking For Mr. Goodbar* examines the situation of a young woman trying to find her way in a world dominated by men. It is also the story of a person attempting to come to grips with herself and not knowing how and receiving no real help from the individuals she is most dependent upon—men. It is these things that protect the novel from itself and from a writing effort that falls

short of its ideas. The end result is a sometimes interesting story capable of setting a few gears to rolling in the heads of men and women alike. But "brilliant" it is not.

Rossner's character, Terry Dunn, is something like an athlete forced to run an undesirable race. The potential is there but the all-out is not.

She earns neither boos nor cheers. Terry Dunn becomes a problem for the reader in the sense that she is difficult to pin down to motivations or reactions.

The author wants the reader to recognize her character as a woman trying to give and receive love and finding insecurity instead.

What the author avoids and ultimately stumbles over is the fact that a lot of her problems stem from the men in her life and their treatment of her.

Terry Dunn is guarded too closely by the author. The reader is too often told what she does without presenting the psychological and spiritual developments that caused the action and its result.

Rossner pins her character to a card, spending too much on what she does and not nearly enough on what the effect is. Rossner, in trying to assure that the reader will "get" what the novel is about, holds down the very thing that will reveal her ideas.

Terry Dunn perishes from over-reach halfway through the book. By the end of the novel there is little understanding and even less sympathy for a character that should demand both.

Rossner's style reflects that of an individual very much concerned with words and details that often hinder rather

than help the themes in her work.

As a result, *Looking For Mr. Goodbar* has a weighty quality that often makes whole segments of the novel strenuous. The book leaves the impression that Rossner is deliberately trying to lengthen the book through narrative that does nothing to build her protagonist or develop her themes.

The book does not move easily from one part to the other, nor does it have the simple ease of a practiced author familiar with the handling of the language made naturally difficult by the depth of a serious idea.

The men in the book also produce a problem. Terry Dunn is a barren, unfulfilled person asking and receiving the exploitation of males. It is in this that the novel achieves its strongest, most viable point.

But Rossner never approaches any of her important male characters with anything

other than a superficial examination. The men become representatives of parts of Terry Dunn but become little else.

No one man fulfills her overall needs; one arouses her intellect, another arouses her feelings of love, another her sexual needs. If all the men in her life could be rolled into one, all of her problems would be solved.

However, the search for the perfect man becomes very old very quickly as does the idea that any man less than perfect can never fulfill the needs of a woman.

Mr. Goodbar is not a novel that is mistaken in its most important theme. It is a book that loses in the transition from thought to page and a story that loses to "brilliant," a commodity word that is often too quickly assigned on a basis other than its own definition. In the end this is what the reader is glad to be over w....

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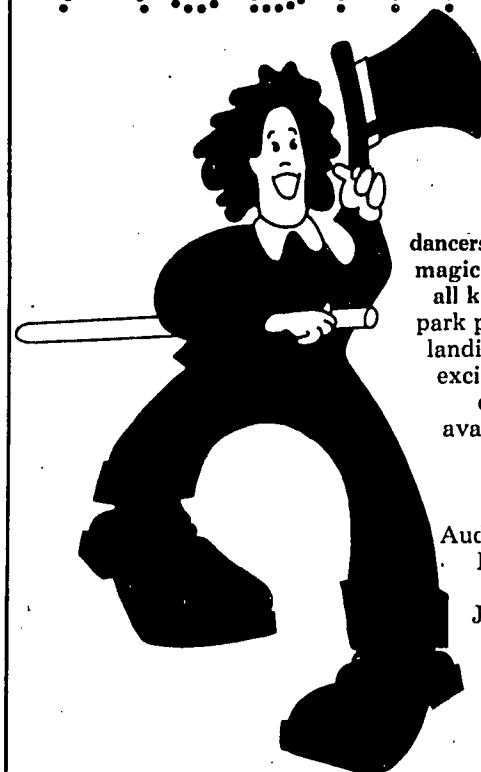
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Steppin' out

The Bearcat marching band performed in mammoth Arrowhead Stadium last week at the San Diego Chargers-Kansas City Chiefs game.

Review of theater presented

The Great American Theatre Show is a comical, historical, semi-musical play being narrated at 8 p.m. December 11-13, in the Administration Building's Little Theatre.

Starting back with early theatre in England and ending with modern Broadway, there is a guided tour of how theatre began in this country. Each cast member takes turns being narrator: one person stepping forward to speak, the others

turning their backs to the audience.

There is some razzle-dazzle to the show as you have small skits, parts of other plays and slides. Each must be done with precision and split-second timing.

Although the first act of this theatre revue goes almost like a high school history film strip (the slides add to this feeling), there are some outstanding efforts. Church Plymell brings

a laugh from his presentation of a minstrel known as Jim Crow. With his almost slap-stick "First on the heel, then on the toe, you turn around and do Jim Crow" brings a well waited for comic relief. The Maryville Minstrel version of "Oklahoma" could be another outstanding event, if the timing is accurate.

Credit goes to David Shetak for the writing and directing of this production.

Rollo May first guest on KXCV show

Voices in the Wind, an arts program of interviews and mini-performances is broadcast at 9 p.m. every Monday on KXCV-FM (90.5).

The series is hosted by Oscar Brand whose experiences have included adventures ranging from writing commercials for Cheerios to recording albums of bawdy shanties.

Voices in the Wind includes both "name" performers as well as out-of-the-mainstream artists. KXCV (submitted one interview with a man who paints radio and T.V. towers which was accepted by National Public Radio for the show.

On Dec. 15th show guests will include psychologist Rollo May, folksinger Gamble Rogers, presidential speechwriters James Humes and dance

choreographer Murray Louis. Humanistic psychologist Rollo will discuss the nature of creativity and his new book, "The Courage to Create."

Hume, joke and speech writer for three presidents will outline his latest book, "Podium Humour and the comic style of some American political leaders.

Florida folk guitarist Gamble

Rogers will perform a tribute to Doc Watson and Merle Travis, concluding with an original composition: "The Ballad or Doris Mowray."

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Short Stories: preferably 500 to 5,000 words, typed and double-spaced.

Poetry: thirty lines maximum, typed and doublespaced.

Black and white artwork: no longer than 1½ inches by 11 inches; any medium that can be easily photocopied.

A five dollar prize will be awarded for the best work in each category. All entries must deal with a recognizable science fiction theme.

Work will be judged by members of the Third Foundation and may appear in *Tendrils II*, an annual publication of the group.

Tendrils I may be picked up in the Campus Bookstore or the

Bookmark Bookstore. Deadline for entries is January 31. Submit entries to Dr. Dean Ing in the speech and theatre department or to Mary Fitzgibbon in F 213, Hudson Hall.

Tuba dozen performs tonight

Dr. Henry Howey, MSU band director, is continuing his efforts of tuba appreciation by taking a dozen tuba players to the East Hills Shopping Center tonight in St. Joseph for two concerts at 7 and 8 p.m.

The 12 tubas will do a number of holiday carols in order to celebrate "tuba Christmas" and to spread the "tuba gospel around Northwest Missouri," according to Howey.

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New degrees

Nancy McGough, MSU nursing instructor, (left) views a patient's chart with (l to r) Donna Bonne, Georgia Schilling and May Morgan, all nursing degree students, doing practice work at St. Francis hospital.

Baccalaureate nursing degree offered

Last March, MSU initiated a baccalaureate degree program in nursing. The program began in late August with six enrollees.

The program is coordinated by RN Sue Gille, director of nursing, and Nancy McGough, nursing instructor, directs the program.

According to Gille, prospective enrollees must complete University admissions requirements and requirements for the bachelor of science program by May 15, 1976 for acceptance into the class which starts in August of that year. All candidates for the program must be registered nurses (RN).

Degree candidates are currently enrolled in a 10 hour lecture course and clinical-experience work. The first block consists of the lecture course and practical experience is gained during the second block on Tuesdays and Thursdays at St. Francis.

The RN's will also gain experience by working in community health agencies twice a week next semester.

The nurses study patient

assessment, planning nursing services to cope with the patient's needs after assessment and implementation of the nursing services and evaluation plan in their senior leadership course as well as in actual clinical experience.

McGough explains that one of the newest concepts in nursing is the focusing upon physical assessment of the patient. She said that this is part of the RN's duties which are independent of the attending doctor's medical directives.

An assessment is made by the nurses of what physical and emotional aspects differ from normality. A statement concerning the problems found is then prepared and the RN helps prescribe patient care.

Follow-up studies are also done by the nurses after the patient has been released: The RN visits the patient to see if there is any difficulty in adjusting to a new lifestyle caused by the medical problem.

The patient must be informed about the effects and limitations of the medical problem and the

follow-up in the home is critical in determining the effectiveness of the educational program.

The nurses also do an in-depth study on one of their hospital patients including an evaluation of all steps in the nursing care from assessment to follow-up.

Funds requested

The 26th annual Boys Town of Missouri Christmas campaign began last week with the mailing of appeal letters to Missouri citizens, announced Harry G. Neill, Jr., board chairman of the organization.

"Funds raised through the Christmas appeal are used to provide food, clothing, housing, education, medical and dental services, plus treatment by professional psychiatrists, psychologists and social workers for emotionally disturbed and delinquent boys 9 to 18 years of age," Neill said.

"In a time when many individuals are taking a close look at where their charitable contributions are spent, Boys

Town of Missouri can assure every donor that 100 percent of the funds we collect are being used for the treatment of the boys. We have no large financial reserves and no professional fundraisers," the Boys Town of Missouri board chairman added.

Boys Town of Missouri is not associated with any other charitable organization, nor is it a member of the United Fund. It is supported by private contributors. It was founded in 1949 by Missouri businessmen, and is non-profit and non-sectarian.

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The Oman War — Britain's Vietnam?

By Fred Halliday

(Fred Halliday is a British freelance writer who specializes in the Mideast and whose book "Arabia Without Sultans" is soon to be released by Random House.)

While the French, Portuguese and Americans have all abandoned colonial wars, the bankrupt British are still involved in two major counter-insurgency operations. One is in Ireland. The other is in Oman—a sultanate the size of Colorado which sits at the mouth of the Persian Gulf, the world's most strategic waterway.

British newspapers are now running ads for ex-British military pilots to serve three-year stints in the Omani air force, with generous tax-free starting pay and side benefits.

Front and government sources predict major clashes in the next few weeks.

Dhofar offers an ideal setting for counter-insurgency operations. The area is relatively small (10,000 square miles); its population, under 200,000, lives like the rest of Oman in 14th century conditions. (Oman in 1970 had an infant mortality rate of 75 per cent, three primary schools, one hospital, no press and five per cent literacy rate in a population of 750,000.) Guerrilla supply lines to South Yemen run through mountains less than 20 miles wide. Compared to Algeria, Vietnam, or Malaya, the fighting is simple.

Yet the rebels have survived—and grown, though since 1973 they have faced government

officer, Dhofar is "the last place in the world where an Englishman is still called sahib." British tactics in fact draw heavily on the lessons of previous British colonial wars. For example, in Kenya the

while the Popular Front has tried to eliminate tribal differences, the British have actively revived them.

Two other British tactics—first used in the Boer Wars but updated in the Malayan

The British relied on groups of deserters from nationalist and tribal forces for intelligence gathering and combat operations.

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In Oman, the counter-gang policy has been developed by SAS training teams since 1970. Over 1,000 Dhofaris have been organized in tribal squads for counter-guerrilla actions. They are now particularly strong in eastern Dhofar, where, according to British reports, anarchy prevails as armed tribal groups monopolize power and operate protection rackets around desert wells. Thus,

Emergency in the 1950's — are referred to as food control and population control. The terms mean starvation and forced resettlement.

While airforce, navy and artillery detachments

systematically bombard guerrilla-held areas, destroying animals, crops, wells and mountain paths, British construction workers have completed nine resettlement centers as part of this food and population control project.

Dhofar's mountain population — where guerrilla strength is greatest — faces two alternatives: death from shelling or starvation, or resettlement in government-controlled centers.

There is no sign that the British or Iranians are planning to cease their intervention.

Theirs is now the only revolutionary war directly involving major outside powers anywhere in the world.

Mercenaries are only the tip of the iceberg.

For 11 years, rebel tribesmen in Dhofar province—organized under the leftist Popular Front for the Liberation of Oman (PFLOAG) — have been battling the stolidly pro-Western Omani government for independence. Theirs is now the only revolutionary war directly involving major outside powers anywhere in the world.

As the annual June-September monsoon season ends, fighting has escalated in western Dhofar, near the border of radical socialist South Yemen. The guerrillas now reportedly possess hand-carried SAM ground-to-air missiles, and both Popular

forces beefed up by several thousand Iranian soldiers and Iranian helicopter gunships, and coordinated by British military advisors.

The Sultan's war today in fact bears an unmistakable British stamp.

Officially the British admit to only 600 military personnel in Oman, but there are actually over 2,000—including combat officers and pilots, training operatives and communications experts at the two RAF bases of Solala (in Dhofar) and Masirah. The elite branch is the 200-man Special Air Services (SAS), a counter-insurgency unit used in behind-the-lines missions and for training local forces.

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IRC setbacks fail to diminish spirit

by Tom McAlexander

Inter-residence Council (IRC) has suffered its share of ups and downs this semester. A number of setbacks have plagued IRC in its attempts to formulate activities and proposals.

Administrative disapproval of IRC proposals has been frustrating. Only one proposal sent in by IRC, the extension of dorm open hours, was approved.

"We turned in a lot of proposals, but they were all turned down except one (open hours)," said Gus Williams, a third year IRC North Complex representative. "It's really depressing. As for ideas, we're burnt out." A shuttle-bus proposal, sent in at mid-semester, was turned down by the administration.

"Sometimes it makes you wonder if it's really worth-while to knock yourself out on a proposal and the administration turns it down with little or no explanation why," said Charlotte Phillips, IRC second vice president.

"However," she added, "we do appreciate the cooperation we do get from the administration." She noted the efforts of Bruce Wake, director of housing, and Bob Brought for cooperating with IRC in working with security and maintenance.

IRC advisor Mike Van Guilder noted the fairness shown by the administration. "The administration gave IRC a fair hearing. They took and considered our proposals. There are just some things they can and cannot do. IRC will just have to keep working."

Maintenance was an important priority with IRC this semester. IRC has received requests for various repairs in the residence halls.

"We want to get these things fixed in the dorms," said IRC President Mark Thompson. "Maintenance has been very understanding but they don't have the staff or the funds."

"IRC has met with maintenance and grounds but the dorms aren't very high on the priority list," Williams said.

IRC's "Almost Anything Goes," held last October was a great success and original to MSU. Concerning activities, Phillips said, "Mainly we've tried to come up with ideas for new programming and that's why we're 'burnt out.' Last year we had the Raft Regatta and the Super Party. This year, 'Almost Anything Goes' was really successful."

Thompson agreed. "'Almost Anything Goes' went over really big but we haven't had as much success with activities as we would've liked." He noted the cancellation of "Las Vegas Night" due to legalities and a dance planned the night before Dead Day which conflicted with a dance already planned by Union Board.

"We've planned a lot of social activities," said Pam Reed, Millikan Hall representative. "It's just that Union Board has such a big budget and they had things planned at the same time we did. With our budget, we couldn't compete with their activities." IRC's budget is presently \$3,200, compared with Union Board's \$31,954. A proposal to increase IRC's budget was vetoed by the administration.

Phillips commented on the suspension of IRC-sponsored movies saying Union Board has a good movie program and IRC is faced with the problem "of competing and planning around it."

Matters look good for IRC next semester. "All in all, IRC has been fairly successful this semester," Van Guilder said. "We've had some bad breaks but our objectives have been to come up with new and exciting ideas for next semester." Phillips said, "I think IRC will have a better semester because of programming already in the planning stages and developing proposals already formulated."

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the stroller

The fall semester has been, up to this point, wholly uneventful. But the Stroller has discovered what promises to be disaster. The Stroller has been able to obtain an interview with Mr. Asa Wyup, spokesman for Buildings and Grounds, concerning the toilet paper shortage.

This crisis, which could lead to serious student protests such as bathroom boycotts, has already brought on cries for Buildings and Grounds to s— or get off the pot concerning the acquisition of a new supply of toilet paper.

The Stroller posed the following questions to Mr. Wyup:

Stroller: "Mr. Wyup, could you put your finger on the problem?"

Mr. Wyup: "No way!"

Stroller: "Mr. Wyup, has B and G made any contingency plans to deal with this crisis?"

Mr. Wyup: "We certainly have! At the present time we have a four-stage plan of attack: (1) Students will be encouraged to wait and go home for the weekend. (2) The food service will not serve

prunes until the crisis has passed. (3) Wards and Sears have made available emergency supplies of catalogs. (4) Bids are now being taken on corn cobs from local farmers. We at B and G feel that this four-stage plan is adequate to wipe out the problem."

Stroller: "Mr. Wyup, the solution to the problem seems so simple. Is there any chance that there might be a complication in this matter?"

Mr. Wyup: "Definitely! We have recently received word from the director of Maryville's sewage disposal plant that 'We've had enough out of you,' referring to the problems presented by the University."

Stroller: "Mr. Wyup, there have been rumors that toilet paper rationing is being considered."

Mr. Wyup: "I must admit that rationing was seriously considered. B and G did acquire 200,000 rolls of 4" by 4" ration coupons. But it was discovered that they were too soft and couldn't be used to write on. They were returned and the rationing idea was scrapped."

Dangers of spirits outlined

Dear Editor:

This letter is in response to the October 31 edition of the Northwest Missourian in which reference was made to several seances that occurred here at NWMSU. As we feel that many people don't know of the real power behind seances we have written this article with Biblical references to make people aware of the dangers and consequences of conversing with spirits.

Leviticus 19:31 tells us "not to resort to ghosts and spirits, nor make yourself unclean by seeking them out." (New English Translation) This is referring to seances. The Bible refers to a spiritualistic medium as a person "with a familiar spirit." A familiar spirit, as defined by the Hebrew text, is "an evil spirit, demon, which impersonates the

deceased and communicates by using the vocal chords of the medium", so the medium is not talking to a dead person, but to an evil spirit or demon. The Bible teaches that the dead cannot be brought back for any reason. Leviticus 20:27 says "Any man or woman among you who calls up ghosts or spirits shall be put to death." (NET) In the eyes of God it is an abomination to do such things. Some scriptures on this subject are: Ecclesiastes 9:5 and Luke 16: 20-31, especially verse 26.

New Testament evidence for the existence of spirits can be found in Ephesians 6:12 where

Paul says, "For our fight is not against human foes, but against cosmic powers, against the authorities and potentates of this dark world, against the superhuman forces of evil in the heavens." (NET) The incident recorded in the Halloween article, an entity taking a girl's body, was probably a take over by one of the spirits mentioned above.

We hope that this article has shown some of the dangers to be encountered while dealing with spirits.

A group of concerned Christians.

To the Editor:

In last week's stroller column it said and I quote "Valiantly you grasp for the stair railing to steady yourself. It's no use; the little monsters have greased it down with a chocolate bar." How many times have you seen a Horace Mann student with a chocolate bar? Well, only once have I seen a student drop their books when somebody ran into the student and that somebody was another college student. This also happened to be an accident. We also walked the sidewalk, not the grass.

Robert McCall
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